Hans Hoops

Hans Hoops, 69, of LaCrosse, Wis., and formerly of Andover, died Sunday, Dec. 22, 1996, at his home in LaCrosse. The funeral was held Saturday, Dec. 28, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Groton. The Rev. Craig Grams officiated. Burial was in the Groton Union Cemetery with Paetznick Garness Funeral chapel, Groton, in charge of arrangements.

Hans Eric Hoops was born September 12, 1927, in Aberdeen, to John H. and Gertrude E. (Kroll) Hoops. He grew up in the Andover area and lived there until 1974, when he moved with

his family to LaCrosse.

He was baptized May 9, 1928, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Groton. He was born with Down's Syndrome and was regarded as a special blessing by his family.

Survivors include one brother,

Waldemar Hoops of Andover.

He was preceded in death by his

parents.

Casketbearers were Allan Kroll, Don Blair, Clarence Hannon, Donald Hein, Walter Kroll, and Ronald Kroll.

The organist was Alvera Neuman.